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Serial No.: 09/657,336

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For: LONG LASTING FUSION PEPTIDE  
INHIBITORS OF VIRAL INFECTION

Examiner: J. Parkin

Group Art Unit: 1648

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO  
COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS  
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS  
CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE  
SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID  
SEQUENCE DISCLOSURE MAILED  
DECEMBER 16, 2002, PAPER 9;**

and

**AMENDED ELECTION TO  
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
PURSUANT TO INTERVIEW WITH  
EXAMINER PARKIN ON JANUARY  
14, 2003**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the *Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications*  
*Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures* mailed December 16,  
2002, for which a response was due on **January 16, 2003.**

A petition for a one month extension of time is enclosed with this response to extend the deadline to respond to the Notice to Comply. Since February 16, 2003 was a Sunday, and the USPTO was closed on Monday, February 17, 2003 for President's Day, and the USPTO was again closed on Tuesday, February 18, 2003, due to the snow storm, this response is therefore timely filed.

Applicants also amend their election to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 21, 2002, pursuant to interview with Examiner Parkin on January 14, 2003.

#### **AMENDMENTS**